HOW THE NCAA WORKS:

**Association-wide**

While each NCAA division is empowered with setting its own rules and operating guidelines, some topics rise to a level affecting college sports as a whole and need a coordinated voice to influence and provide guidance to the Association as a whole. The responsibilities of the board of directors include:

- Providing final approval and oversight of the Association’s budget, enterprise risk management, strategic planning and establishing policies related to fiduciary responsibility.
- Employing the Association’s president, who shall be administratively responsible to the board.
- Formulating policies and procedures consistent with the NCAA Constitution.
- In consultation with the leadership of the divisional governing bodies, adopting and implementing legal strategy, Association risk mitigation, and government relations and policy matters that affect the Association.
- Convening the annual Convention and may call for a special convention as needed.

The Board of Governors is the highest-ranking body in the NCAA and focuses on strategic discussions that impact the Association as a whole. The responsibilities of the board of governors include:

- Overseeing the playing rules committees, including the final approval of rules changes.
- Selecting one male and one female student-athlete representative, voting or ex officio, shall have graduated not more than four years prior to appointment.
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